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(KENNEDY ASSASSINATION)

WASHINGTON--ACTING ATTY. GEN. RAMSAY CLARK TODAY ORDERED ALL EVIDENCE CONSIDERED BY THE WARREN COMMISSION IN ITS INVESTIGATION OF THE ASSASSINATION OF PRESIDENT KENNEDY PRESERVED PERMANENTLY IN THE NATIONAL ARCHIVES.

THE HUNDREDS OF ITEMS INCLUDED THE HIGH-POWERED 6.55 MANNLICHER-CARCANO RIFLE WITH THE TELESCOPIC SIGHT WHICH THE COMMISSION SAID WAS USED BY LEE HARVEY OSWALD TO SLAY KENNEDY.

CLARK'S DECISION CAME AFTER A RASH OF BOOKS AND MAGAZINE ARTICLES QUESTIONED THE FINDINGS OF THE WARREN COMMISSION THAT OSWALD, LATER SLAIN IN A DALLAS JAIL BY JACK RUBY, ACTED ALONE IN THE SHOOTING NOV. 22, 1963.

CLARK ACTED UNDER A 1965 LAW WHICH GAVE HIM AUTHORITY TO DECIDE WHICH ARTICLES SHOULD BE PRESERVED IN THE ARCHIVES.

CLARK DECIDED TO SAVE EVERYTHING IN ORDER TO "ASSURE THE AVAILABILITY, BOTH NOW AND IN THE FUTURE, OF THE EVIDENCE CONCERNING THE ASSASSINATION OF PRESIDENT KENNEDY."

IN ADDITION TO ALL ITEMS NOW OWNED BY THE GOVERNMENT, CLARK ITEMIZED HUNDREDS OF OTHER BITS OF EVIDENCE BEING HELD BY THE FBI.

AN FBI SPOKESMAN SAID THAT ALL OF ITS EVIDENCE HAD BEEN CONSIDERED BY THE COMMISSION.

AMONG THE ITEMS WHICH WILL GO TO THE ARCHIVES ARE OSWALD'S SHARPSHOOTERS MEDAL HE WON IN THE MARINES; HIS BOOKS AND BOOKLETS, MANY OF THEM DEALING WITH RUSSIA OR CUBA; LETTERS FROM VARIOUS PEOPLE TO OSWALD INCLUDING ONE FROM JOHN CONNALLY, PRESUMABLY THE TEXAS GOVERNOR WHO WAS RIDING WITH KENNEDY AT THE TIME OF KENNEDY'S DEATH; OSWALD'S UNDESIRABLE DISCHARGE FROM THE MARINE CORPS; HIS WALLET; HIS BIRTH CERTIFICATE AND THE BIRTH CERTIFICATE OF THE OSWALDS' 4-YEAR-OLD DAUGHTER, AND VARIOUS ITEMS [illegible]

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